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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I have answered that point so many times. I do not know why the hon. Member puts the same question again. I will say, ' Let him wait for some time and it will be considered '."

Skkipo van to provide medical relief for the villages in North Malabar.

* 732 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to send any Skkipo van to provide medical relief to the people suffering from various diseases in the disease-ridden villages in North Malabar?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" No, Sir."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" As there are no facilities for medical treatment and as there are very few hospitals in the villages in Malabar, will the Government consider this question? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Government have provided in this year's Budget for the establishment of a mobile medical unit to be attached to the Taluk Headquarters Hospital in Tellicherry which is in North Malabar."

SRI KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE :—" In view of the fact that many villages in Walluvanad and Ernad taluks are very badly in need of medical aid and in view of the fact that the working of the Skkipo van at Ottapalam is confined to a very few villages around Ottapalam which are already served by the Ottapalam and Pappinisseri dispensaries, will the Government consider the desirability of taking necessary steps to extend the service and working of the Skkipo van at Ottapalam to the villages in Pattambi firka and the adjoining villages in Mangada firka and also the villages in Ernad taluk? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Skkipo van, so far as I know, is working in nine centres. It is not possible to extend the use of this van to a much wider area."

Road works to be financed out of the Central Road Fund.

* 733 Q.—SRI K. VENKATRAMANA GOWDA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government have furnished a list of works to be financed out of the State allocations of the Central Road Fund; and

(b) if so, what are the works, for South Kanara, included in the list and their estimated total cost?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) This Government prepares and sends up once in two or three years, lists of works to the financed from this Government's share of the Central Road Fund expected

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up to the next two or three years and many such lists have been approved in the past by the Central Government, and works taken up and completed. If the Member refers to the list of works to be now proposed for being taken up from the Central Road Fund allocations, that list is under preparation now.

" (*b*) This will be known only when the list is finalized. The needs of South Kanara will be taken into consideration along with the needs of other parts of the State in finalizing the list."

Teaching of crafts under the Modified Elementary Education Scheme.

* 734 *Q.*—SRI A. GOVINDASAMY NAYAGAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the children attending the elementary schools under the Modified Elementary Education Scheme are being taught any crafts and if so, what they are; and

(*b*) whether there is any connection between the occupation of the parent and the craft taught to the student?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) The schools working under the Modified Scheme do not provide any instruction in crafts. But, during the off-season, the children are provided with facilities for learning craft work from the village craftsmen, if they have no work at home.

" (*b*) While parents who belong to occupational groups and wish to have their children with them during the out-of-school hours, will be allowed to do so, there is no compulsion that children belonging to a particular occupational group should be trained in that occupation. Full freedom is allowed to parents in selecting the work."

SRI A. GOVINDASAMY NAYAGAR :—" ஆரம்பப் பாடசாலையில் வாசிக்கும் மாணவர்கள் என்ன தொழில் செய்கிறார்கள் என்பதற்குக் குறிப்பு மாணவர்களாலேயே எழுதப்படவேண்டுமென்று சர்க்கார் ஏதாவது உத்திரவு போட்டிருக்கிறதா ? அப்படியானால் இந்த மாணவப் பருவத்தில் குறிப்பு எழுத அவர்களுக்குத் தகுதி இருக்குமென்று சர்க்கார் எண்ணுகிறதா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Only those who can write their diaries are asked to write and not persons who have not yet come up to the stage of writing diaries."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know whether the Government are going to allow a debate on this subject."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Yes, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" There will be a full-dress debate on this subject. So, I pass on to the next question."